

FIG. 16B

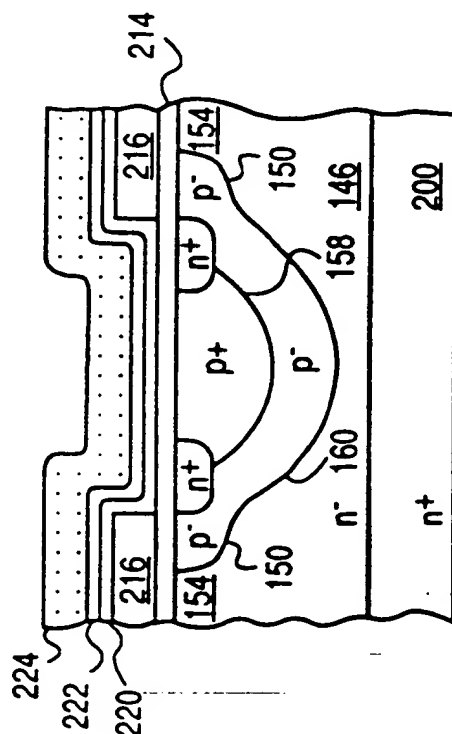


FIG. 16A

Fig. 1A (Prior Art)

suitable furnace through the window 206 at 750–1000 degrees C. A Boron rich glass 212 forms in the window 206 during the injection. A Boron soak is carried out in any suitable oven at 750–1000 degrees C. for from 15 minutes to 3 hours, as appropriate, wherein boron from the glass continues to diffuse into the epitaxial silicon to form p+ body contact 158 in the p- tub 160 (FIG. 10). The sheet resistance of the p+ body contact is 10–100 ohms/square.

In a second masking step, the field oxide 204 is protected in the peripheral termination region, including gate finger regions. All oxide is removed from the active device areas, and gate oxide 214 is thermally grown at 900–1100 degrees C. for 20 minutes to 3 hours, as desired (FIG. 11).

A polysilicon film is deposited to a thickness of 0.3–0.7 microns using any suitable equipment. A polysilicon film also is deposited on the backside, and is removed along with an underlying oxide in a wet oxide etch for the purpose of exposing the wafer backside to heavy diffusion using phosphorus or other suitable dopant. The polysilicon film is then doped to less than about 20 ohm/square, and is patterned in a third masking step for opening windows to form p- body, n+ source regions, and ultimately metal contacts to the source and body. The polysilicon film is etched in any suitable equipment to form gate poly 216 and periphery strip 218, a component of a termination structure. The resist is stripped, and Boron is implanted at a dose of 5×10^{13} – 3×10^{14} ions/cm² and an energy of 40–100 KeV in any suitable equipment (FIG. 13). The Boron is diffused at 900–1200 degrees C. for 10 minutes to 5 hours, as desired. The purpose of this diffusion is to form the double diffused channel 144 as shown in FIGS. 5 and 6.

Oxide is etched from the p- body diffusion region using either a dry or wet etch, as desired, and a layer of suitable photoresist is deposited and patterned in a fourth masking step to form a sound mask (FIG. 14). An Arsenic implant is made using a dose of 1×10^{15} – 1×10^{16} ions/cm² at an energy of 60–120 KeV, after which the resist is stripped (FIG. 15) and the Arsenic diffused at 850–1100 degrees C. for 0.5–1 hour to form the annular square source region 152 with blunted corners. An oxide layer 220 forms during the Arsenic diffusion (FIG. 16). The annular square channel 144 with blunted corners is defined in the body 158 between the source region 152 and the drain 154. Again, see FIGS. 5 and 6. At this point, the junction profile of the cell is essentially established.

The device is completed by depositing (optionally) about 1000 Angstroms of LPCVD nitride 222 followed by a BPSG deposition of about 0.8–1.3 microns and a BPSG reflow 224 at about 850–1000 degrees C. (FIG. 16). The fifth masking step is a contact mask, which defines the source-body contact and the poly gate contact. The BPSG layer 224, the nitride layer 222, and the oxide layer 220 are suitably etched in a sequence involving, for example, a descum, a dry etch in suitable equipment, and a resist strip, followed by a reflow of the BPSG at 850–1100 degrees C. for 10–30 minutes (FIG. 17). A suitable metal such as aluminum or a material such as aluminum with 1 percent silicon is deposited using, for example, sputter deposition, and is suitably patterned in a sixth masking step and etched to form the source electrode 226, the gate electrode (not shown), and termination field plates (not shown). Films of PSG 228 and/or plasma nitride 230 are deposited, pad contact holes are opened in a seventh masking step, and

an alloy step is performed at 300–450 degrees C. in an inert ambient.

The termination structure 234 comprising field oxide 204, gate oxide 214, and polysilicon periphery strip 218 need only be coupled electrostatically to the epitaxial silicon 146 in order to function satisfactorily. The coupling is achieved when the die is separated from the wafer by dicing, since the thin gate oxide 214 near the die edge is damaged and becomes leaky. The termination structure 234 assumes the voltage level of the epitaxial layer 146, and at this potential acts to exclude the depletion region from the leaky damaged silicon at the die edge.

FIG. 18A shows one embodiment of the full termination structure 234, including a typical inactive cell 300. The inactive cell 300 is similar to the active cells except no channel region is provided, although a p- tub 302 and p+ body contact 304 are provided. Source metal 306 shorts a polysilicon ring 308 and the inactive cell 300 to the source electrode. FIG. 18B shows another embodiment of the full termination structure 234 wherein all portions of polysilicon ring 308 are separated from the underlying semiconductor body by field oxide 204.

FIG. 19 shows a plan view of a completed device with the gate fingers 320a–320e, gate bonding pad 322, source metal 324, and source bonding pad 326. The exploded view of FIG. 20 shows the juxtaposition of the active cells 330a–330d (other active cells in the device are not shown), the inactive cells 332a–332d (other inactive cells in the device are not shown), the gate finger 320e, and the p+ polysilicon ring 334.

These techniques have been used to achieve a specific on-resistance of 1.65 milliohms-cm² for 60 volt devices, and 0.85 milliohms-cm² for 30 volt devices.

As will be recognized, six masking steps are utilized in an alternative embodiment of the fabrication process described in FIGS. 7A–20 of the present invention. These six masking steps are as follows:

- 1) a deep P+ masking step in which an opening is formed in layer 204 as shown in FIG. 8A through which a P+ implant is performed;
- 2) a masking step in which a portion of photoresist is formed to protect and thereby to form the portion of oxide layer 204 shown in FIG. 11B;
- 3) a polysilicon masking step in which portions of photoresist are used to protect and thereby to form the portions of polysilicon layers 216 and 218 shown in FIGS. 12A and 12B;
- 4) a contact masking step in which portions of BPSG layer 224 are removed to form a contact to P+ region 158 of FIG. 17A, to form a contact to P+ region 304 of FIG. 18A, and to form a contact to poly region 308 of FIG. 18A;
- 5) a metal masking step in which portions of a metal layer 226 are removed to form the metal source electrode 226 of FIG. 17A, the metal gate finger of FIG. 18A, and the termination metal 306 of FIG. 18A; and
- 6) a pad masking step in which portions of layer 228 and/or 230 are removed to expose portions of gate bonding pad 322 and source bonding pad 326 of FIG. 19.

Another embodiment of the present invention will now be described. This embodiment, hereafter referred to as one embodiment of a five masking step process, requires only five masking steps to fabricate a DMOS-FET device, such as a vertical DMOSFET, and an associated termination structure. FIGS. 21A–21M show

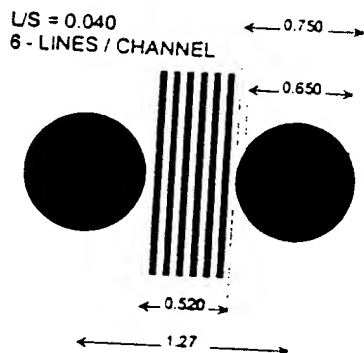


Fig 9 S-TBGA flex substrate routing . All dimensions in mm.

the distance between the cavity and the inner row of solder balls competes for the same space as the cavity for a given package. The finer routing pitch on the flex substrate minimizes the fan out length and reduces the distance from the die edge to the inner-most row of solder balls to 2.2mm.

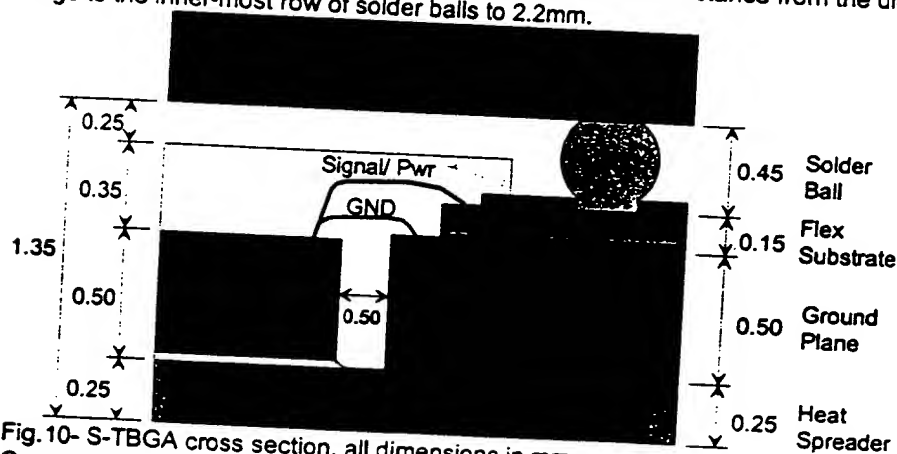


Fig.10- S-TBGA cross section, all dimensions in mm.
Ground wire length =0.75mm, signal/power bond wire length =1.2mm.

Finer pitch on the substrate allows finer pad pitch on the die without having to use long wires. It is known that the maximum number of in-line pads possible to bond with the finest pitch on each side of the die, depend on the bond finger pitch and wire length, assuming the angle between the wire and the die edge is no less than 45° degrees. Starting with 80µm pad pitch at the center of the die and decreasing the finger pitch from 180µm possible on a PCB substrate to 125µm easily achieved on the flex substrate it allows 3X more bonding-pads at a

The primary advantage of the flex substrate is the high density of routing. As shown in figure 9, up to seven rows of solder balls at 1.27mm pitch can be routed using 40µm lines and spaces with 0.75mm solder ball and 0.65mm diameter solder mask defined pad. Table I shows that the routing capability of the flex substrate far exceeds the routing capability of multilayer PCBs today down to 0.5mm pitch solder balls. The minimum lines and spaces allowed on the one-metal flex substrate are 30µm with 12-18µm thick copper and on the two-metal are 50µm with 15µm thick copper layers connected with 50µm copper filled vias. All the plating tails are bussed to the central device window which is subsequently punched out. This reduces the routing density and eliminates the plating tails that can cause electrical noise at high operating frequencies. The location of the ground vias on the substrate can be assigned as needed without appreciably affecting the inductance of the connection. The outer row of solder balls is usually the hardest to route and has the longest traces therefore it is advantageous to the overall performance to assign the ground to the outer row of solder balls including the corners and eliminate the routes.

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Fig. 1 c. (PRIOR ART)

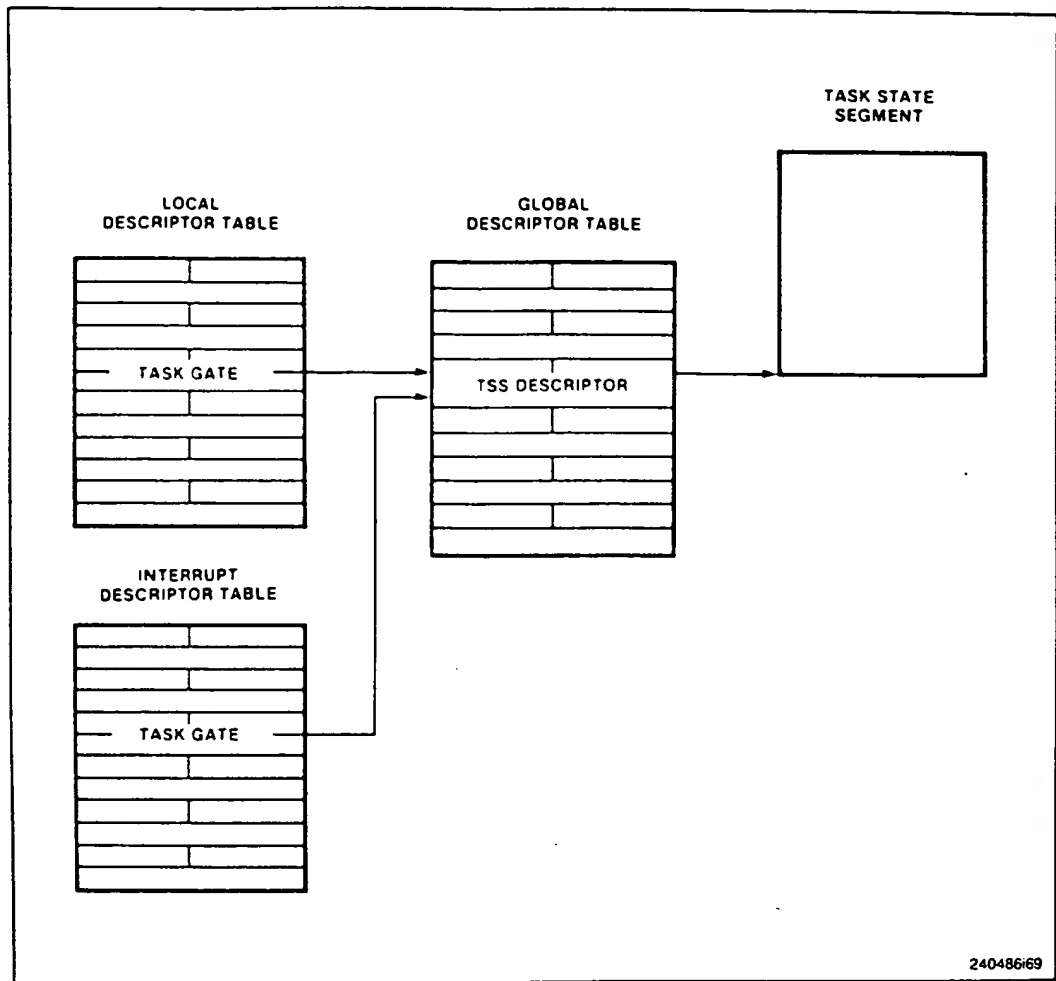


Figure 7-5. Task Gates Reference Tasks

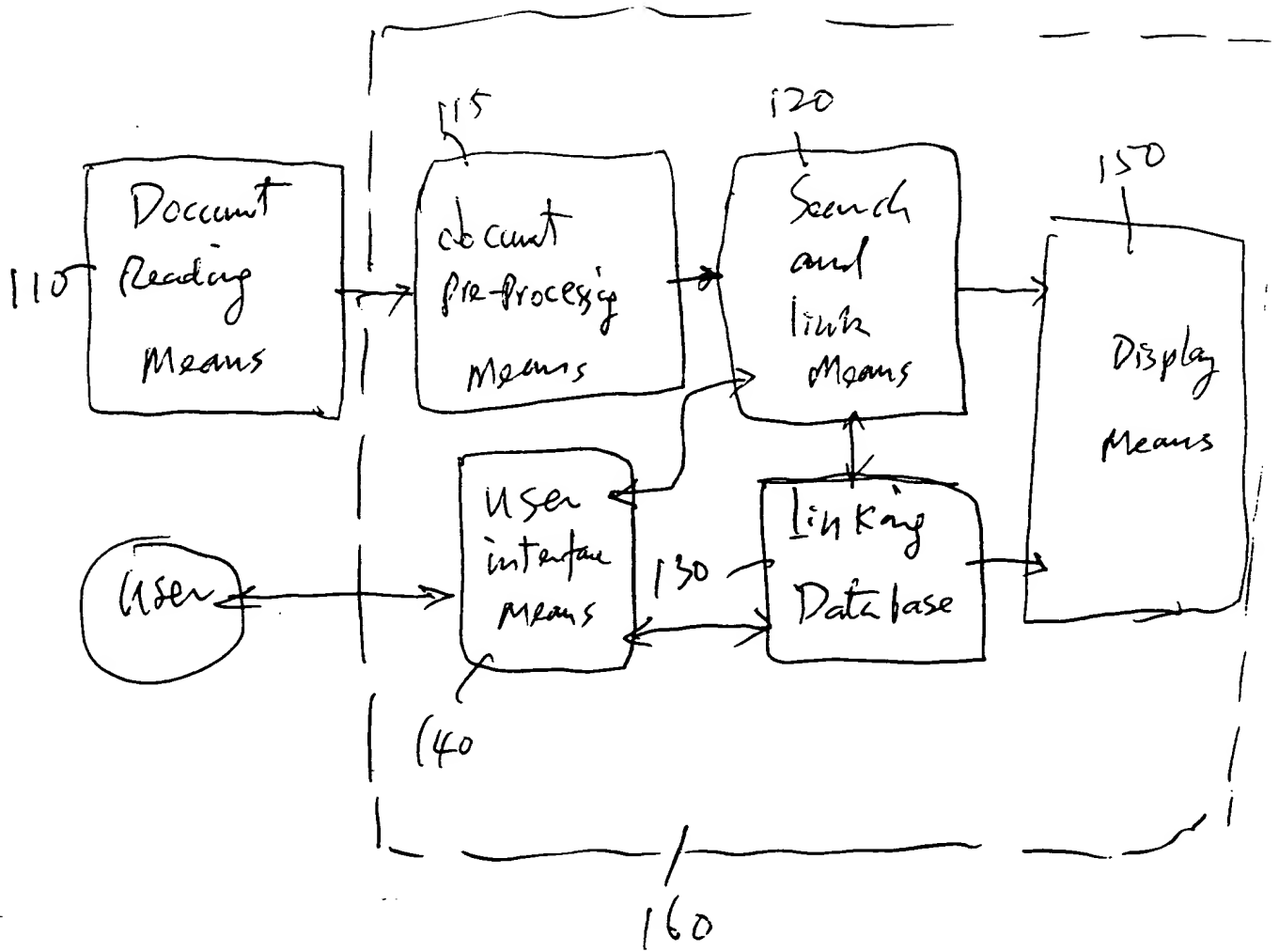
An interrupt service routine always returns execution to the interrupted procedure, which may be in another task. If the NT flag is clear, a normal return occurs. If the NT flag is set, a task switch occurs. The task receiving the task switch is specified by the TSS selector in the TSS of the interrupt service routine.

A task switch has these steps:

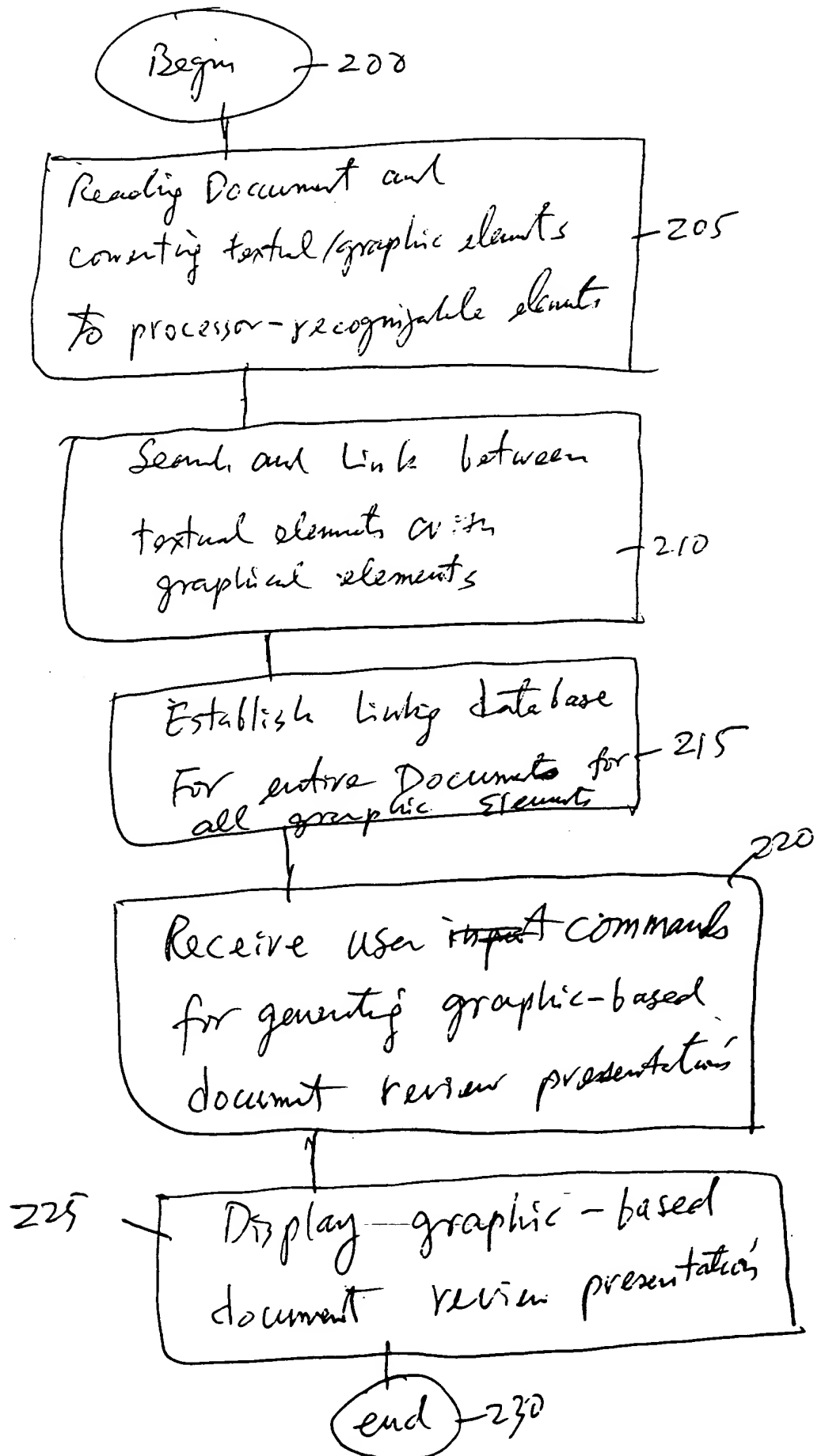
1. Check that the current task is allowed to switch to the new task. Data-access privilege rules apply to JMP and CALL instructions. The DPL of the TSS descriptor and the task gate must be greater than or equal to both the CPL and the RPL of the gate selector. Exceptions, interrupts, and IRET instructions are permitted to switch tasks regardless of the DPL of the destination task gate or TSS descriptor.

Fig. 1 D: PRIOR ART

Fig. 2



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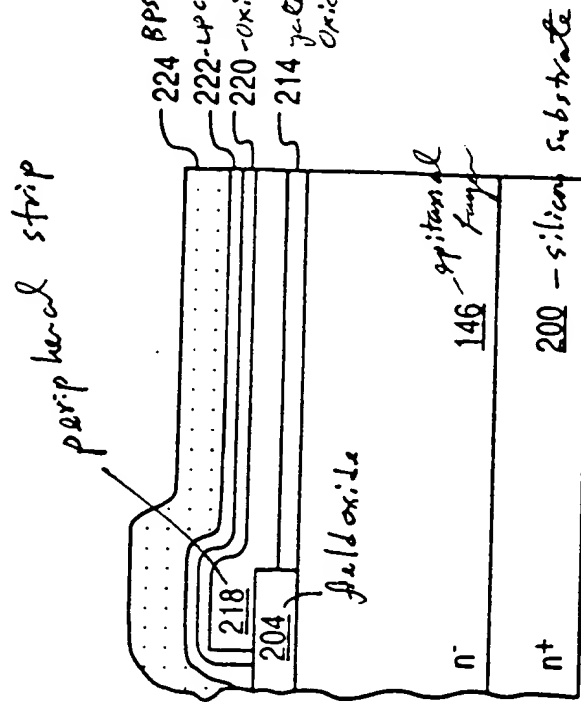


FIG. 16A

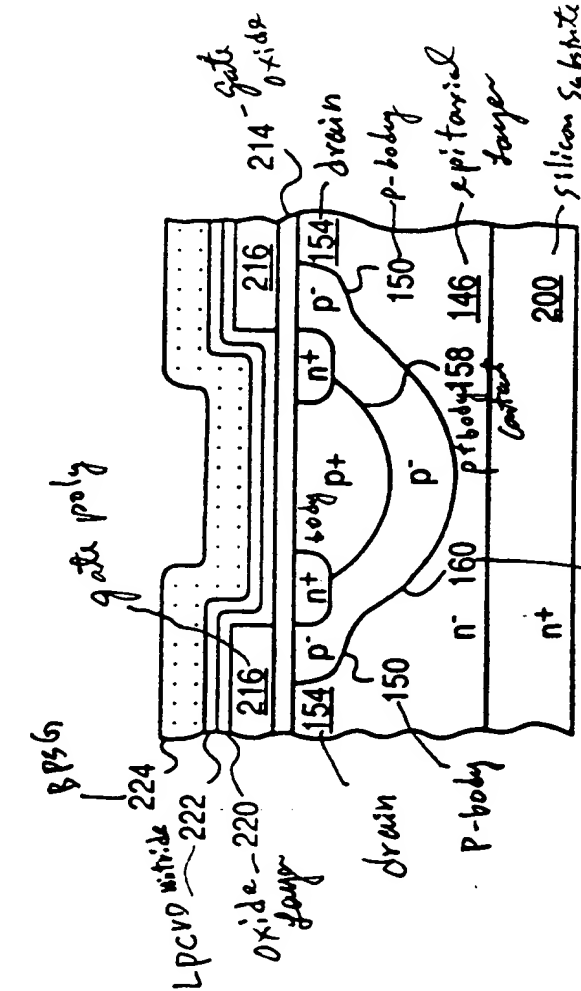


FIG. 16B

Fig. 4A.- Every Graphic Element Shown
with Naming Therein

FIG. 16B

FIG. 16A

The device is completed by depositing (optionally) about 1000 Angstroms of LPCVD nitride 222 followed by a BPSG deposition of about 0.8-1.3 microns and a BPSG reflow 224 at about 350-400 degrees C (FIG. 16).

Textual
Description
Box

Fig 4C: Naming Term BPSG. Shown with Multiple Drawings

NAMING TERM: BPSG

With Naming Term Flashing and graphic element

Flashing

peripheral strip

gate poly

Flashing BPSG

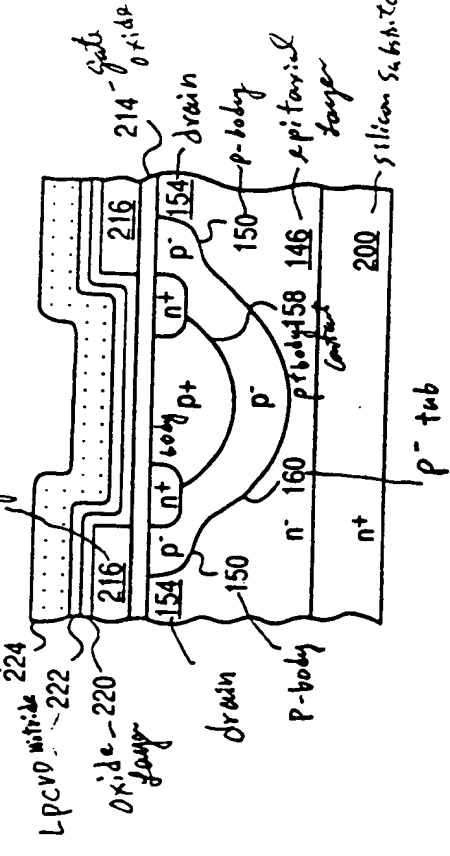


FIG. 16A

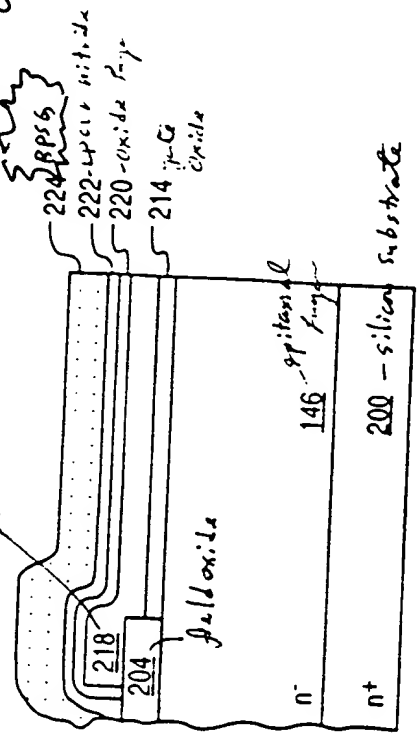


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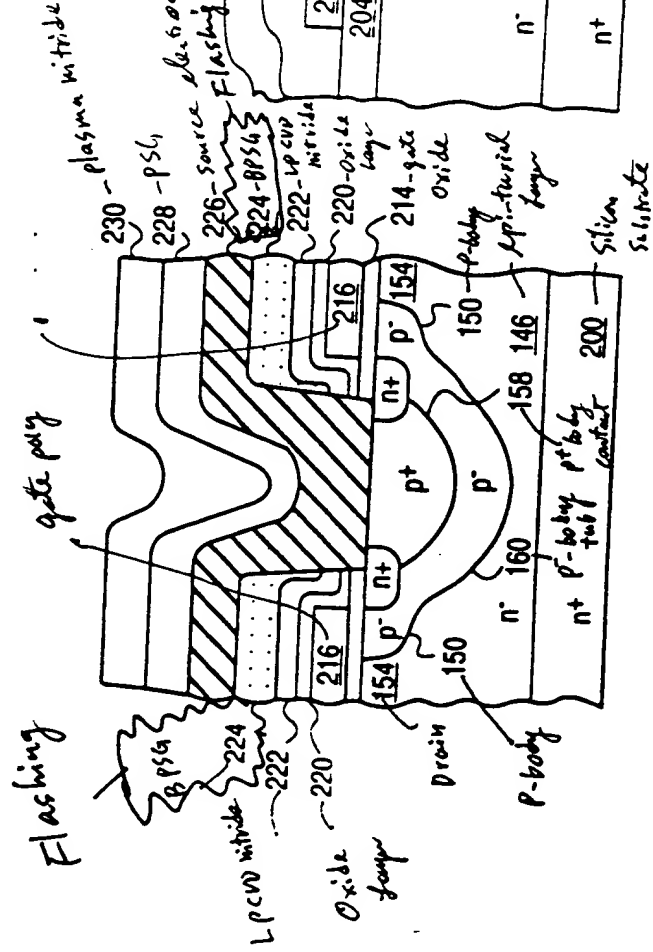


FIG. 17A

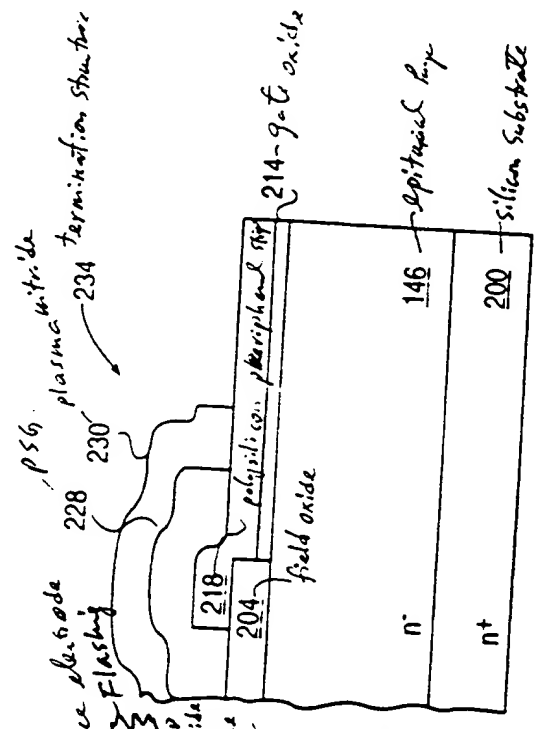


FIG. 17B